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MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Selectmen
FROM: Peter Lombardi, Town Administrator
RE: Town Administrator's Report
DATE: October 23, 2018

Flu Clinic

Last Wednesday, the Board of Health held their 2nd annual flu clinic as part of series of Flu Clinics sponsored and run by the Hamilton and Wenham Boards of Health. Turnout for the Wenham clinic was double that of last year, with 156 people being vaccinated (98 adults and 58 children) including residents and employees of Wenham, Hamilton, and HWRSD. This flu clinic also counted as an emergency preparedness drill for use of the Buker School as an emergency dispensing site for medication. There will be a final clinic for the season at the Hamilton COA on Friday, November 30th from 3:00-6:00 pm. The Wenham Board of Health still also has some doses available for those 18 and younger by appointment.

Main Street Traffic Improvements

Central Transportation Planning Staff completed their analysis of potential traffic improvements to the Main Street corridor between Cherry and Arbor Street this summer. Their report examined a series of conceptual designs for each of these intersections based on the collective traffic patterns in our downtown corridor. Based on feedback from both MassDOT and the Town, the recommended project includes the installation of synchronized traffic signals at both Arbor Street / Friend Court and Cherry Street / The Maples.

Last week, we met with MassDOT officials in seeking to move forward with this project. Since Route 1A is a state road and we have limited Chapter 90 funding available, MassDOT is actively seeking several different funding opportunities that would limit or eliminate the need for any local match funding for both the design and construction of this project (currently estimated at \$3.5M in total). A key component of that process is demonstrating proactive community outreach to all of the key stakeholders to ensure we have solicited feedback and have strong public support, as doing so would likely expedite state funding availability. A meeting to outline the proposed project is expected to be held in the next several weeks, with details to follow on the Town website.